

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 8900**  
Shinichiro ISOBE : Attorney Docket No. 2006\_1001A  
Serial No. 10/584,089 : Group Art Unit 1637  
Filed August 9, 2006 : Examiner Jezia Riley  
METHOD FOR DETECTING BIOMOLECULE,  
LABELING DYE USED THEREFORE, AND  
LABELING KIT : **Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**

**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of December 16, 2008, Applicant submits the following remarks in support of the patentability of the presently claimed invention over the disclosure of the reference relied upon by the Examiner in rejecting the claims. Further and favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of these remarks.

**Request for Acknowledgment of Claim of Priority and Receipt of Priority Document**

The Office Action mailed December 16, 2008 fails to acknowledge Applicant's Claim of Priority, or receipt of the certified copy of the Japanese Priority Document. However, PAIR indicates that the certified copy of Applicant's priority document is of record in the application. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge Applicant's Claim of Priority, as well as receipt of the certified copy of Applicant's priority document with the next correspondence.